

HOTEL FIRE FATALITY

Two Killed and Others Seriously Injured in Chicago.

HOTEL HELENE DESTROYED.

Complete List of Casualties Attending the Disaster.

Chicago, May 16.—Two were killed, one missing and 15 were injured in a fire early this morning which destroyed the Hotel Helene, 110 to 114 Fifty-third street. Five of the injured will probably die.

Dead—Charlotte Peterson, dining-room girl; Lena Pearson, chambermaid.

Missing—Man by the name of Patterson, last seen last night in the hotel office.

Fatally Injured—W. E. Hora, burned about the face, hands and body, and leg broken; S. G. McHadden, flesh partially burned from the body; E. E. Tarbox, burned about the body; Elizabeth Florence, internally injured and skull fractured; Mrs. T. D. Allen, back broken and internally injured.

The fire started in the basement and spread with great rapidity. Many narrow escapes occurred. The loss to the building and furnishings is \$40,000.

Heavy Fire Loss in Canada.

St. Catharines, Ont., May 16.—Fire this morning completely destroyed the Canada Cycle and Motor company and Welland Valve company's establishments. The loss is half a million, partially insured. Five hundred men are idle.

NEELY ARRIVES AT GOTHAM.

Newspaper Men Fail to Head Him Off and Louie Him.

New York, May 16.—Charles F. W. Neely, chief of the finance division of the postoffice department of Cuba, returned to this city yesterday, reaching the Grand Central station at 3 p. m. He was dressed in black, and as he left the train and went out to the street he was not recognized by those who were loitering about the station. He immediately boarded a car and rode down to the office of his counsel, John D. Lindsay, in Nassau street. Lindsay said Neely remained in conference until after 5 p. m., when Neely started uptown.

"There is absolutely nothing to say, except that Mr. Neely is in town—just where I do not think proper to mention," said Lindsay. "He has come to meet the charge of embargement, and I do not think that he should be put to any bother. The hearing will be before United States Commissioner Shields on Thursday. As to the time of the hearing before Governor Roosevelt I am not so certain."

Senate and House in Brief.

Washington, May 16.—As such as routine business was completed in the senate yesterday Clark of Montana announced his resignation, and made a speech in which he reviewed the investigation into his election and argued his own innocence and that the committee was unfair. Clark's resignation was not accepted. Clark's resignation was not accepted. Clark's resignation was not accepted.

Wild Storm in Wisconsin.

Merrill, Wis., May 16.—The wind blew a hurricane through this section Monday night and the rest fell in ruins. Slight damage resulted here, but at Brookaw the wind was so strong that several box cars were blown by the force of the wind from the siding onto the main track. When the north-bound passenger came through the train collided with the cars. No one was injured, but the cab was torn from the engine and the back of the baggage car was completely demolished.

Well-Known Hotel Man Dead.

Detroit, May 16.—John F. Antisdel, a widely known hotel man, died at his residence in this city last night from the effects of a paralytic stroke. Antisdel at different times owned or managed the Finney House, Railroad hotel, Antisdel House and Riddle House in Detroit; the Newhall House, in Milwaukee; the Frazer House in Bay City, and the Mettawau summer hotel at Kingsville, Ont. For five years Antisdel was a member of the Wisconsin fish commission.

California Republicans.

Sacramento, Cal., May 16.—The Republican state convention met here yesterday, named delegates, etc., to the Philadelphia convention and adopted a platform which is contained in less than 200 words. It declares for the construction of an inter-oceanic canal under government control and ownership; declares against the influx of Asiatic labor and indorses the administration of

PLANS WERE WELL LAID.

Clark's Enemy Out of Montana and His Friend Acting Governor.

Helena, Mont., May 16.—Senator Clark's resignation as senator from this state was filed early yesterday with the governor and last night Clark was appointed by Governor Spriggs to succeed himself. Governor Spriggs has all along been a friend of Senator Clark. Governor Smith, a partisan of the Daily people, left the state two weeks ago for California to attend to some mining cases in which he is retained as attorney.

At that time there was no thought of Senator Clark resigning, and his enemies were confident that he would be unseated by the United States senate. The resignation filed yesterday came as a surprise to the people of the state, who had no inkling of the coup prepared. Governor Spriggs was besieged all yesterday by individuals and by delegations friendly and hostile to Clark.

Scores on the Ball Field.

Chicago, May 16.—League scores yesterday on the diamond were as follows: At Chicago—New York 8, Chicago 10; at Cincinnati—Philadelphia 4, Cincinnati 4; twelve innings; at St. Louis—Brooklyn 5, St. Louis 2; at Pittsburgh—Boston 5, Pittsburgh 7; American League: At Indianapolis—Kansas City 11, Indianapolis 12; at Detroit—Chicago 4, Detroit 9; at Buffalo—Milwaukee 6, Buffalo 2; at Cleveland—Minneapolis 4, Cleveland 1.

Zinc and Lead Company Incorporated.

Charleston, W. Va., May 16.—The Four Thousand Acre Zinc and Lead company, of South Bend, Ind., obtained articles of incorporation here Monday for the purpose of doing a general mining business. The capital stock is \$1,000,000, all paid up. The incorporators are D. Henry, C. W. Stoner, Reuben Fink, S. L. Kilmer, E. A. Schaff, and twenty others, all of Indiana.

Thirty-Four Years' Back Pension.

Washington, May 16.—Senator Culham has received notice of the granting of two pensions, each of which carries the beneficiary the sum of \$2 per month for about thirty-four years, or a total of over \$800. The beneficiaries are Albert Wilson, now of Belle River, Jefferson county, Ill., and George W. Wilson, of Cherokee, Iowa.

LaFollette Is a Candidate.

Milwaukee, May 16.—Robert M. LaFollette, ex-representative from the Second district, comes out as a candidate for the gubernatorial nomination on the Republican ticket.

Wisconsin Hamlet Burned.

Ashtabula, Wis., May 16.—North York, a hamlet on the line of the Wisconsin Central railroad, was entirely destroyed by fire last night. The fire originated in the woods.

Lind in Favor of Intervention.

St. Paul, May 16.—Governor Lind yesterday declared himself in favor of United States intervention to save the Dutch republics in South Africa.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

Gen. Joseph Wheeler has notified his constituents that he will not stand for reelection to congress. The will of the late Rufus Wright, of Chicago, manufacturer of bicycles, has been admitted to probate. His estate is valued at \$800,000.

A new assistant professorship has been established in the law school at Madison, Wis. The salary is \$1,000 a year.

Ramon Blane, it is said, will succeed Baron Eava as Italian ambassador at Washington.

Ean Chaire (Wise) citizens will hold a mass meeting to greet the Boer peace envoys when they visit that city. Germans have seized 3,000 square miles of land in the Congo Free State. Former queen Liloukalani has started for Hawaii, declaring she does not like this country.

The American annex to the Paris exposition, at Vincennes, was formally opened by Commissioner Peck.

Daniel Murray, of the Congressional Library, who is making a complete list of books and pamphlets by negro authors for the Paris exposition, has already compiled a list of over 1,000 names.

A special prayer for the success of the British arms is being used in Jerusalem synagogues.

Tempering Copper Not a Lost Art.

The allegation that ancient Egyptians tempered copper and bronze to carry a razor edge is not borne out by investigation. Thomas Harper of Bellevue, Pa., challenges any one to produce a piece of metal tempered by the ancients that cannot be more than duplicated by any metal worker today. He says that in examining hundreds of specimens alleged to have been tempered to the degree that steel is tempered he failed to find any, nor had he discovered any one who had seen such work, and the fable which has been implicitly believed for centuries is being shattered in the light of modern research.

This is not the only story believed for centuries tending to belittle the man of today, to make him the inferior of his forefathers, which failed under the searchlight of inquiry and science. The ancients were children in mechanical knowledge as compared to the people of today, and if there was a demand for any particular building or piece of work such as was produced by the ancients it could be duplicated and improved on by the skilled artisans of the nineteenth century.—American Manufacturer.

Not Enough Pin Money to Go Round.

Ostend—Pa. I want a dollar to buy a set of tennipes. Pa.—Well, you just don't get it! It's all I can do to keep your mother in pin money.—Chicago News.

BULLER SENDS NEWS

Tells of the Occupation Yesterday of Glencoe.

HE IS NOW AT DUNDEE.

Says Transvaalers and Free Staters Are Fleeing.

London, May 16.—The war office received the following from Buller at Dundee today: "We occupied Glencoe yesterday. The Transvaalers evacuated Biggarsburg. The Free Staters at Darkensburg are much reduced in numbers. Trains are now running to Wessels Nek station."

London, May 16.—Report from Kroonstad the 15th: "Two officers and six men of the Prince Alfreds guards while out foraging yesterday a few miles from Kroonstad, visited a farm flying a white flag and were fired upon by a party of Boers. Two were killed and a lieutenant wounded. Three were taken prisoners."

Lorenzo Marques, May 16.—A Portuguese official dispatch says an encounter occurred at Mafeking and the Boers were repulsed with heavy losses.

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"Maseru, Basutoland, May 15.—A portion of Brabant's horse occupied Ladybrand today, and another portion is pushing on to Clocolan."

"Lorenzo Marques, May 15.—Telegrams received here report very heavy fighting at Mafeking. Pretoria reports that Mafeking has fallen, and the Netherlands Railroad company has issued a statement that Colonel Raden-Powell has captured a large force of Boers. A war bulletin posted at Pretoria, May 12, announced that the British were advancing to the relief of Mafeking."

Baden-Powell Reports on May 7.

The war office has received the following from Lord Roberts, dated Kroonstad, May 15, 1 p. m.: "Baden-Powell reports under date of May 7 all going well. Fever is decreasing; the garrison is cheerful, and the food will last until about June 10."

Lady Sarah Wilson has wired to her sister, Lady Georgiana, from Mafeking, under date of May 3, saying: "Our breakfast consisted of horse sausages, and lunch of minced meat and carried loaves. All well."

The War Office Has Received the Following Dispatch from General Buller.

"Dundee, May 15, 1 p. m.—We have occupied Dundee. About 2,000 of the enemy left yesterday for Glencoe. The Boers are retreating in great numbers. They were going to Laing's nek. Almost every house in Dundee is completely looted."

NO DOUBT OF HOT FIGHTING.

What Occurred Saturday at Mafeking.

According to a Special London, May 16.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Lorenzo Marques, dated yesterday, says: "There is now no doubt that there was desperate fighting at Mafeking Saturday, but it is believed to have gone in favor of the garrison. All that can be ascertained of a reliable character follows. The Boers, using artillery, attacked the town Saturday. Very soon the kaffir location was in flames, some say as the result of a shell fire, others as the result of treachery. Fighting at close quarters became general, and in the midst of the confusion the Boers gained possession of the kaffir location, from which point of vantage they brought guns to bear on the town at close range."

"By an adroit move the garrison, despite its attenuated numbers, succeeded in actually surrounding the party of Boers who had captured the kaffir location. Severe fighting followed, but according to the latest reports the Boers held the location in which they are probably surrounded."

"The truth is, I believe, that the Pretoria authorities, knowing of the progress of the relief column, gave orders to General Symonds to storm the place. As soon as the location was in flames Boer bulletins of victory were flying about everywhere to encourage the weak-kneed burghers. Boers who came down here yesterday from Pretoria produced for the edification of incredulous Britishers two telegrams by officials, one of which was signed by Symonds and said: 'I was lucky enough to capture Baden-Powell with 900 men this morning.'"

Boer Account of Proceedings.

Botha Recalls the Convention of Zand River—Heavy British Bombardment.

London, May 16.—A dispatch from the Boer laager at Reispruit, dated May 10, via Kroonstad, describing the Zand river fighting, says: "General Botha, addressing the burghers, said: 'At this same Zand river Great Britain in 1852 signed a treaty acknowledging the full sovereignty of the Transvaal. Now half a century later Great Britain has for the second time proposed to wrest from the Transvaal by force the rights then fully recognized merely to gratify her land and gold lust.'"

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